SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-79403; File No. SR-BatsEDGX-2016-65)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Bats EDGX Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change to Make a Ministerial Change to Exchange Rules 11.8, 11.14, and 11.22.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"), <sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, <sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on November 17, 2016, Bats EDGX Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "EDGX") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. The Exchange has designated this proposal as a "non-controversial" proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>3</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) thereunder, <sup>4</sup> which renders it effective upon filing with the Commission. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule</u>
Change

The Exchange filed a proposal to make a ministerial change to Exchange Rules 11.8(d)(5), 11.14(g)(4), and 11.22(a)(7)(A)(i)(2) in order to remove erroneous and irrelevant rule text as well as correct a typographical error.

The text of the proposed rule change is available at the Exchange's website at <a href="https://www.batstrading.com">www.batstrading.com</a>, at the principal office of the Exchange, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

# II. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change</u>

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in Sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant parts of such statements.

# A. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and the Statutory Basis</u> for, the Proposed Rule Change

## 1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to make a ministerial change to Exchange Rules 11.8(d)(5) 11.14(g)(4), and 11.22(a)(7)(A)(i)(2) in order to remove erroneous and irrelevant rule text as well as correct a typographical error. First, the Exchange proposes to amend Rule 11.8(d)(5) remove an erroneous reference to the RMPT routing option. The Exchange notes that it does not offer the RMPT routing option, nor is such routing option currently described in its rules. Second, the Exchange proposes to remove an erroneous reference to Rule 11.12 within Rule 11.14(g)(4). The Exchange notes that it previously revised Chapter XI of its rules, including the renumbering of current Rule 11.14, Limitation of Liability, which was previously Rule 11.12.6 However, it failed at that time to update the rule reference within Rule 11.14(g)(4) from 11.12 to 11.14. The Exchange now proposes to delete this erroneous rule reference within Rule 11.14(g)(4) as reference to rule is not integral or necessary to the meaning or application of Rule

The Exchange notes that the reference to RMPT was erroneously added in a previous rule filing. <u>See</u> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 75479 (July 17, 2015), 80 FR 43810 (July 23, 2015) (SR-EDGX-2015-33).

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 72676 (July 25, 2014), 79 FR 44519 (July 31, 2014) (SR-EDGX-2014-18).

11.14 generally. Lastly, the Exchange proposes to amend Rule 11.22(a)(7)(A)(i)(2) to correct a typographical error by replacing the phrase "one of more" with "one or more".

## 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act<sup>7</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act<sup>8</sup> in particular, in that it is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general to protect investors and the public interest. The Exchange believes the proposed changes to Exchange Rules 11.8(d)(5), 11.14(g)(4), and 11.22(a)(7)(A)(i)(2) removing erroneous and irrelevant rule text as well as correcting a typographical error will provide clarity to the Exchange's rules and avoid potential investor confusion. The Exchange notes that neither change alters the meaning or application of each rule. As such, the proposed amendments would foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in facilitating transactions in securities and would remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system.

## B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. On the contrary, the proposed rule change will have no impact on competition as it is simply removes erroneous and irrelevant rule text while not altering the meaning or application of each rule.

<sup>15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

# C. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule</u> Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others

The Exchange has not solicited, and does not intend to solicit, comments on this proposed rule change. The Exchange has not received any written comments from members or other interested parties.

## III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not: (i) significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act<sup>9</sup> and subparagraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder. <sup>10</sup>

At any time within 60 days of the filing of such proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings under Section 19(b)(2)(B) of the Act<sup>11</sup> to determine whether the proposed rule change should be approved or disapproved.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(a)(iii).

<sup>17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6). In addition, Rule 19b-4(f)(6) requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule change, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange has satisfied this requirement.

<sup>15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).

## IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

## Electronic Comments:

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or
- Send an e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-BatsEDGX-2016-65 on the subject line.

#### Paper Comments:

Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission,
 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-BatsEDGX-2016-65. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet website (<a href="http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml">http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</a>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for website viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change; the

Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-BatsEDGX-2016-65, and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the Federal Register].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^{12}$ 

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<sup>17</sup> CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).